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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Bernd Salomon-Bahls et al.

Appln. No.: 10/596,728

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For: PLUG CONNECTOR FOR FLUID  
CONDUITS

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

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Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to the Advisory Action/Final Office Action dated November 12, 2009 for a period of 2 month(s). Applicants have already paid the fee for a one month extension (\$130.00) on March 8, 2010, so we are now paying the difference of \$360.00 for a two month extension (\$490.00 - \$130.00 = the difference \$360.00).

Applicant is: ☐ small entity (per 37 CFR 1.27) ☒ other than small entity

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<input type="checkbox"/>	One Month	\$130.00	\$65.00
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Respectfully submitted,

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